

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action dated July 29, 2008, having a shortened statutory period expiring October 29, 2008. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.